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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the Office Action mailed October 17, 2002 of the Examiner finally rejecting Claims 1-8.

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1.		A petition for an extension of time to respond to the final rejection is filed <u>herewith</u> for a period of <u>three (3)</u> months.
2.		A timely response to the final rejection is being filed, as provided in 841 O.G. 1411.
3.	\boxtimes	Fee \$320.00 Other than a Small Entity
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		Not required (Fee paid in prior appeal)
		Charge to Deposit Account No. 23-1925 (One additional copy of this Notice enclosed herewith)
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4.		I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
		Respectfully submitted,
Dated: April 17, 2003 Gregory II. Zayla Registration No. 48,059 Agent for Applicants		

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